## DISTRICT BUDGET TOTALS \$15,658,054

Commissioners Ask \$5,300,-000 More Than Was Appropriated Last Year.

#### MUCH NEEDED FOR

Money Sought to Carry Forward Extraordinary Projects Now.

Desired.

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The Commissioners today forwarded to the Treasurer of the United States for transmission to Congress their estimates for the next fiscal year, a total of \$15,658,054. This is an increase of \$1,990,-054. Adispatch from Millersburg says:

Are due to go to Metz for an evening train north. No communication is yet established with the North, and the cather hold of the situation, and are endeavoring to devise means for getting relief into the burning sections. The forest fires have reached Alpena, a city of 20,000, on the shore of Lake Huron, and are inside the city limits. All business has been suspended and the entire population has turned out to fight the fiames which are sweeping in from the northwest. Arrangemen's have been made for removing the people by rail and water if the fire gets beyond control. Cheboygan, on the Straits of Mackinac, 15,000 innabitants, is also seriously threatened. Meager reports are drifting while scores of other towns and cities are menaced.

A dispatch from Millersburg says: 779 over their estimate of last year, and \$5,305,842 more than was appropriated by Congress for the District for the current fiscal year.

For current expenditures the

Under the head of extraordinary projects of improvements, the Commissioners have asked for school buildings and

Increase in Current Items. Under the head of current expenditures, the Commissioners have asked for the increased force and facilities for the Health Department, recommended by the Commissioners' milk conference.

and emphasized by the International Tuberculosis Congress; for the increase of the police force, of Fire Department stations and apparatus; for street, alley, and county road improvement, cleaning, and lighting; for extension of the public had to be increased because they were and they were burned to death, more deply cut in the appropriations for A second relief train has be last year, and therefore there is more

in arrears to bring up. Commissioners, are the following: Building Department, \$121,930. Care of District building, \$89,385. Assessor's office, \$79,150.

Collector's office, \$22,500. Disbursing office, \$39,630.

Office of corporation counsel, \$15,300. Sealer of weights and measures, \$15,-Office of engineer of highways, \$205,-

Board of Chartnes, \$1,180,127.
Police Court, \$61,450.
Justices of the peace, \$24,000, and for the support of prisoners, \$24,000.
The Commissioners ask for \$170,000 for playgrounds, \$400,000 for the improvement of streets, and \$135,000 for the repairs to county roads.

Policy of Commissioners Explained. In explanation of their purpose in asking for certain items in their estimates, Commissioner Macfarland said

"In accordance with their policy for

parting today for Euro- vessel that could possibly go outside fighting machine is nothing extraordin-

ill have light west to southand fair weather to the launches and sail boats have ventured Th d Banks.
FORECAST FOR DISTRICT.

bor this afternoon, the original program, which provided for their arrival

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#### SEVENTEEN VICTIMS OF RAILWAY WRECK

Relief Train From Stricken Town of Metz Overturned · When Heat From Raging Forest Fires Spread the Rails.

lestroyed.

No trace of the derailed train out of Metz has been secured and it appears certain that it has been destroyed, with two hundred people. Frantic efforts are being made at Alpena to reach Millersburg, which is shill burning.

SAULT STE. MARIE, Mich., Oct. 16.-

Forest fires are again raging around this city and early this morning ap-

Stops River Steamers

AT WONDER PLAY

sent Superb Spectacle at

Greet Performance.

Under perfect autumn skies and with

the White House and the imposing State, War and Navy building blend-

Murky Pall of Smoke

ALPENA, Mich., Oct. 16 .- There is | forced to turn back by the flames. The CH NEEDED FOR

still a question this afternoon as to the safety of Bishop Charles D. Williams, of Detroit, and Rev. W. H. Bulkley, of Alpena. They were at Hagensville, eight miles from Metz, to confirm a class yesterday afternoon, and have taken hold of the situation, and wave due to confirm a eyening.

A dispatch from Millersburg says:

"Seventeen men, women, and children were burned to death, when the train which left Metz, Wednesday afternoon, to take people out of the fire which destroyed the town, ran into a burned-out culvert, and was unable to proceed. It Commissioners ask \$11,101,695, and was trapped on all sides by raging for extraordinary expenditures, \$4,skulls were found in a steel gondola.

A woman by the name of Clcero, with three children, was among the dead. "Fireman Art Lee and Brakeman Wil-

grounds, \$2,218,000; for high-pressure fireprotection service, \$750,000; for suburban
and trunk sewers, \$348,000; for the improvement of Rock Creek valley, \$500.

600; for the improvement of the Anacostia basin, and the harbor front,
costia Station plaza and vicinity, \$250,000; for by smoke and flames and fell exhausted municipal hospital, \$100,000, and for completing the Piney Branch bridge, \$85,000. ter is terribly burned and may not live.

FAIRYLAND SCENE Kinsville is blinded."

According to a message received by Detroit and Mackinac railroad officials at Bay City, the train left Elpena, reached Metz, took the people and household goods on board, and started north, toward Chaboygan. When the train reached Hawks Station it found fire on both sides of the track and was unable to proceed.

Ran Off the Track.

It then started back, intending to go White House Lawn Will Preto Alpena with the sufferers. After playgrounds or outdoor schools; for passing Metz, the train ran off the track public bathing stations and the improve-near Polaski, where the fire had burnment of the bathing beach, and an additional public convenience station, public son both sides of the track were lic wells, and other much needed items. ablaze, and the train soon caught fire.

The current expenditures' estimates There was no escape for the passengers

A second relief train has been sent out to the scene to the fires, with food and medical assistance. It is feared stage setting iten Greet and his Wood-that many other lives were lost at Metz. lawn players will present two of Hawwhen the town burned, as all avenues thorne's "Wonder Tales" before a fashof escape were cut off before midnight. All communication with Posena is cutoff, and details can not be obtained unitil the relief train returns to Alpena.
Mr. and Mrs. Nowlski, an aged couple
who live in the village of that name,
were roasted alive in their little house
near the railroad track. The fires were
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that the railroad track are the result of
the interest felt by the President and
Mrs. Roosevelt in the Washington Playtowards Association. The official, diplostarted by careless hunters or by smol-dering embers of the September fires, grounds Association. The official, diplo-unless rain comes soon, property devas-matic, and residential society sets have

# Town Wiped Out; "Pandora and the Box of Mischief" and "Midas and the Golden Touch," are the plays to be given today and at the morning performance tomorrow.

DETROIT, Mich., Oct. 16 .- Alpena dispatches say that Millersburg, a town of of the inhabitants are unknown, The relief trains from Alpena were

While the fleet will arrive off the har-

ly opposite the Americans on the west

easterly side of the harbor.

side in the same order.

Arrangements Tomorrow.

If tomorrow is clear the committee

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The weather will continue fair, with slight changes in temperature in the slight changes in temperature in the slight changes in the slin the slight changes in the slight changes in the slight changes The winds along the middle Atlantic coast will be light south to southwest; on the south Atlantic coast light northeasterly, and on the east Gulf coast, light east to northeast.

Steamers departing today for Euro-

> far beyond the usual limits for these this morning and arrived at Yokohama later in the day to take part in the festivities. Baron Saito extented a cordial the increase in customs receipts. These greeting to the Americans of the fleet receipts on September 1 were \$758,454.35. on behalf of the nation and said that A big buoy has been assigned to each American ship in a double line extend-ing from almost directly in front of the

that a typhoon yesterday demolished to a point one mile below, on the all the buildings erected for the recep-The Japanese fleet will anchor direct- American battleship fleet, with the tion of the officers and men of the exception of the main reception hall. ide in the same order.

Many stores in the town were badly damaged, and the electric lighting

CHIEF FIGURES IN PANAMA GRAFT INQUIRY



# INCREASING DEFICIT BESTIRS PRESIDENT

Rate of \$3,000,000 Each Day.

Office of superintendent of Insurance, 200,000 and 150,000 and 150

Department. A part of the enormous stroyed by fire, and the whereabouts an unlimited number of spectators in to the fact that the Postoffice Department called upon the Treasury for \$1.

600,000 in July, and that this department
has already called upon the Treasury
upsetting the old theory that South-

On October 1 they amounted to \$954,on behalf of the nation and said that tomorrow morning will probably be carried out.

A big buoy has been assigned to each States.

On October 1 they amounted to stock all Japan was eagerly awaiting a sight of the great naval power of the United States.

On October 1 they amounted to stock.

States.

# COURTEOUS SOUTH OUTDONE BY TAFT

ter of Gallantry in Enthusiastic Demonstrations.

By JAMES HAY, JR.

of asking for smaller appropriations the first class are those who will vote than were made last year larger sums for me. In the second are those who will be imperative.

Attorney Samuel Bell Thomas, the character to be thoroughly exposed in today, representing Brothers. will not vote at all, and in the third are Postoffice Deficit.

This is especially true of the Postoffice those who will not be elected."

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Charms by His Manner.

FLEET DRAWS NEAR

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TO JAPANESE AGOG

WEATHER REPORT.

The past seven years, the Commission the past seven years, the Commission the plast rest of supply fecessary, in view of the money has been plast make been in the position to help "along and on the east many and may projects of improvement and curved on Twelfth Page.

The memperature continues above the seasonal average from the Plains States to find a sonne what below the mornal west of the Reck mountains. The weather will be sonne what below the normal west of the Reck mountains. The weather will continue fair, witing tonight and saturday.

The weather will be light south the sonne what below the popular and long the middle Atlantic coast will be light south west, and on the east Guit costs.

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Under the law all estimates were due at the office of the Secretary of the Treasury yesterday, but Secretary Cortelyou said today that all of them had not yet been received.

He declared, however, that some encouragement over the financial situation of the Government was to be found in of the Government was to be found in of the Government was to be found in matter. I will have enough without it."

Democrate ticket, no description had one idea and that was to help Brothers along, and at the same time help the Government get a good machine, if certain improvements could be made in it.

"Did you suggest to Brothers that if he god a good firm of engineers, and that was to help Brothers along, and at the same time help the Government get a good machine, if certain improvements could be made in it.

"Did you suggest to Brothers that if he god a good firm of engineers, and they went through with the matter that it would have good effect on the canal

Enthusiasm Won't Carry State Along the streets he was cheered in-essantly. The brass bands played "Dixie" to him and he had to stand in (Continued on Second Page.)

\$2.25 to Luray Caverns and Return. SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Oct. 16.—The booking of Gertrude Hoffman, in her salome dance, in the Court Square The ater for next week has disturbed the clergy of Springfield, and formal protest will be made to the mayor.

# -ENGINEER G. D. STRICKLER. -ATTORNEY SAMUEL B. THOMAS.

# AGAINST BROTHERS

in Hearing Today of Panama Case.

Counter charges of attempted oribery were made by Government witnesses alone and getting ready to retire, and against William F. Brothers, of New would open the door for no man. York, president of the Balanced Cable Crane Company, who filed charges brushing by Mrs. Hearst, presented his National Debt Piling Up at Judge Shows Himself Mas- against Panama canal officials, in which papers to the editor, who seemed much they swore that "graft" and "influ- calmer than his wife. ence" had resulted in letting a contract to a rival bidder, at a hearing held at the War Department today by Inspector General E. A. Garlington.

Mr. Hearst told the officer he had refused to admit him merely because he and his wife were retiring and thought such a method of serving him with pa-General E. A. Garlington.

A. M. Lawson, of Washington, who pers an outrage

went to Panama in behalf of Brothers, declared before the hearing that "Broth-

"My client will not come," explain

of \$35,000,000 now existing is due Before making this point, however, But I am here in his behalf, and we fact that the Postoffice Depart- Judge Taft had paved the way to it are ready to sift these charges." Submits Letters.

Brothers, through his attorney, sub-

no harm was meant by this letter, and that Strickler only had one idea and that was to help Brothers along.

it would have good effect on the canal officials, and then suggest the name of

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\$1.25 to Baltimore and Return Saturdays and Sundays via Pennsylvania Railroad, Tickets good returning until Sunday night. All regular trains except the "Congressional Limited."

### BREAKS DOWN DOOR TO GET AT HEARST

Nebraska Sheriff Smashes Into Stateroom to Serve Papers.

HASKELL SUES HIM; \$600,000 DAMAGES

Slander and Libel Charged by Governor in Suit Filed Last Night.

OFFICER IGNORED MRS. HEARST'S CRIES

Editor's Wife Was Preparing to Retire and Refused Ad-

OMAHA, Neb., Oct. 16 .- Ignoring the rotesting screams of Mrs. William R. Hearst, who was disrobing for the night, a deputy sheriff smashed in the door of the editor's compartment of a Union Pacific train here at midnight and served him with papers of notification that a suit for \$600,000 had been brought against him for slander and libel by Gov. Charles N. Haskell, of Oklahoma.

The suit was filed in the Douglas ounty (Nebraska) district court late in the evening, and Deputy Sheriff Stewart authorized to watch for the train on which Mr. Hearst and his wife would pass through Omaha on their way from Seattle to New York.

When the train pulled in Stewart had ome difficulty in locating the editor's stateroom, but finally found the proper or and knocked.

Behind Petticoats.

Mrs. Hearst answered the summons from behind the locked door, and when Counter Accusations Sprung of the law, replied that Mr. Hearst was not in the room, but had gone to file a ter gram in the station. Stewart cried to her to open the door

or he would smash it in. Mrs. Hearst Counter charges of attempted bribery screamed and pleaded, saving she was

Hearst's Statement

### OF YANKEE LANDED

Two Hundred Men and Officers Will Be Investigated by

PUT GAS TUBE IN MOUTH.

Hunt & Co.?" Strickler was asked.

"New York, Oct. 16.—A man who
"No sir, I did not."

"Did you not tell him you would use registered at the Hotel Kenwood, 31 influence to get his device in use?" Bowery, as "Harry Mercer." but whose led Attorney Thomas, real name the police say, is McAllister, real name the police say, is McAllister, was found dead in bed in his room te-day with a gas tube in his mouth. He had committed suicide by inhalling gas.

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